

OPINION 1167

PHLOEOSINUS CHAPUIS, 1869 (COLEOPTERA,
SCOLYTIDAE) CONSERVED

RULING.— (1) Under the plenary powers the generic name *Olonthogaster* Motschulsky, 1866, is hereby suppressed for the purposes of the Law of Priority but not for those of the Law of Homonymy.

(2) The generic name *Phloeosinus* Chapuis, 1869 (gender: masculine), type species, by subsequent designation by Hopkins, 1914, *Hylesinus thujae* Perris, 1855, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2110.

(3) The specific name *thujae* Perris, 1855, as published in the binomen *Hylesinus thujae* (specific name of type species of *Phloeosinus* Chapuis, 1869) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2724.

(4) The generic name *Olonthogaster* Motschulsky, 1866, as suppressed under the plenary powers in (1) above, is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2116.

HISTORY OF THE CASE Z.N.(S.)2072

An application for the conservation of *Phloeosinus* Chapuis, 1869 was first received from Professor Stephen L. Wood (*Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, U.S.A.*) on 13 May 1974. It was sent to the printer on 27 August 1974 and published on 31 December 1974 in *Bull. zool. Nom.* vol. 31, pp. 236–237. Public notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in the case was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* as well as to the statutory serials and to eight entomological serials. Support was expressed by Professor Schedl (*University of Linz, Austria*), Professor Anton Pfeffer (*Prague*), Dr J.J. Mercier (*Paris*), and Dr D.E. Bright (*Bio-systematics Research Institute, Ottawa, Canada*). No hostile comment was received.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 14 December 1979 the members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (1979)24 for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nom.* vol. 31, p. 236. At the close of the voting period on 14 March 1980 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative Votes — twenty-two (22) received in the following order: Melville, Holthuis, Bayer, Mroczkowski, Willink,

Vokes, Corliss, Tortonese, Trjapitzin, Alvarado, Brinck, Hahn, Habe, Welch, Starobogatov, Sabrosky, Kraus, Ride, Dupuis, Binder, Halvorsen, Cogger

Negative Votes — Heppell, Nye

No voting paper was returned by Bernardi.

The following comments were returned by members of the Commission with their voting papers:

Hahn: 'I would have preferred to use the "relative precedence" procedure to give *Phloeosinus* precedence over *Olonthogaster* whenever the two names are considered to be synonyms.'

Nye: 'Although I support the conservation of *Phloeosinus*, I must vote against the proposal for the unconditional suppression of a subjective synonym. Whether or not the two genera are taxonomically congeneric is a matter of opinion which I cannot assess. The applicant would have had my full support if he had asked for precedence to be given to *Phloeosinus* whenever considered to be a synonym of *Olonthogaster*.'

ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references for names placed on Official Lists and an Official Index by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

Olonthogaster Motschulsky, 1866, *Bull. Soc. imp. Nat. Moscou*, vol. 39, p. 401

Phloeosinus Chapuis, 1869, *Synopsis des Scolytidés (Paris)*, p. 37;

Mém. Soc. roy. Sci. Liège, ser. 2, vol. 3, p. 245

thujae, *Hylesinus*, Perris, 1855, *Ann. Soc. entomol. France*, ser. 3, vol. 3, pp. lxxvii-lxxviii.

The following is the original reference for a type-species fixation accepted in the present ruling: of *Hylesinus thujae* Perris, 1855 for *Phloeosinus* Chapuis, 1869 by Hopkins, 1914, *Proc. U.S. nat. Mus.* vol. 48, pp. 115-136.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the votes cast on V.P.(79)24 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that voting paper has been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 1167.

R.V. MELVILLE, *Secretary*

International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, London. 2 Sept. 1980